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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Zhiping Jiang, et. al.) Group Art Unit: 1745
Serial No.: 10/613,686) Exr: Gregg Cantelmo
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For: ALKALINE CELL WITH IMPROVED ANODE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 17, 2006.

The Examiner requires election between the following Claim Groups:

- I. Claims 1-41, drawn to a method for forming an anode, classified in class 29, subclass 623.1.
- II. Claims 42-75, drawn to an electrochemical cell, classified in class 429, subclass 229.